

who married in 1801 Frances (?–1829), daughter of *Samuel Owings, Jr.* (1733–1803); Samuel (1773–1857), who married first, in 1796, Ann M. Howard (ca. 1765–1827), and second, in 1828, Ann G. White (1800–1865); William (1779–1779); George Washington (1780–1799); and Randle Hulse (1782–1864), who married in 1822 Elizabeth Smith Peck (ca. 1807–?). DAUGHTERS: Elizabeth (1759–1822), who married in 1794 Richard Curzon, Jr.; Rebecca (1763–1840), who married in 1780 Thomas Russell; Rachel (1775–1776); Frances (1777–1781); and Mary North (1783–1793). PRIVATE CAREER. EDUCATION: literate. RELIGIOUS AFFILIATION: Anglican; rented pew in St. Paul's Church, Baltimore Town. SOCIAL STATUS AND ACTIVITIES: Mr., by 1758; Esq., by 1772. A drawing of Baltimore Town in 1752 has been attributed to John Moale. OCCUPATIONAL PROFILE: merchant, land developer, planter. PUBLIC CAREER. LEGISLATIVE SERVICE: Lower House, Baltimore County, 1768–1769 (election of entire county delegation declared void on June 14, 1768, because of "treating of voters"; reelected on July 5, 1768, to 2nd session of the 1768–1770 Assembly, but election of the county delegation was again voided on November 30, 1769, for misconduct of sheriff during the election; Public Offices 2), 1771; Conventions, Baltimore County, 1st, 1774 (appointed, but did not attend), 2nd–3rd, 1774, 4th, 1775 (elected, but did not attend), 5th, 1775, 6th–8th, 1775–1776 (Claims 6; did not attend the 7th Convention). LOCAL OFFICES: churchwarden, St. Paul's Parish, Baltimore County, 1753–1754, 1758–1759, 1765–1766, 1767–1768; St. Paul's Parish Vestry, Baltimore County, 1761–1763, 1770–1773, 1782–1784, 1786–1789; commissioner of Baltimore Town, by 1768, at least 1780–1787; justice, Baltimore County, 1769–1775, 1777–1789, 1791–1797 (quorum 1772–at least 1775); justice, Especial Court of Oyer, Terminer, and Gaol Delivery, Baltimore County, 1772 (quorum); trustee for the poor, Baltimore County, appointed 1773; Committee of Observation, Baltimore County, by 1776; justice, Orphans' Court, Baltimore County, 1777, 1781–1790; commissioner of the tax, Baltimore County, 1777–1783, 1786; justice, Criminal Court, Baltimore County, 1788–1790, 1793. MILITARY SERVICE: lieutenant colonel, Baltimore Town Battalion, Baltimore County Militia, commissioned May 25, 1776; colonel of the same battalion, commissioned September 12, 1777; resigned commission because of gout, March 17, 1780. STANDS ON PUBLIC/PRIVATE ISSUES: at a meeting of Baltimore merchants

in 1769, Moale voted against allowing the sale of goods imported in defiance of the nonimportation agreement. WEALTH DURING LIFETIME. PERSONAL PROPERTY: received from his mother's estate £162.13.5 sterling and £958.2.6 current money as his portion of his father's estate, 1761; owned 9 slaves in Baltimore Town, 1790. ANNUAL INCOME: ground rent on 24 leased lots yielded ca. £280.0.0 per year, 1783. LAND AT FIRST ELECTION: 2,145 acres in Baltimore County, over 6 acres and 8 lots in adjoining Baltimore Town, and ca. 3 lots in Baltimore Town held on 99-year leases (624 acres in Baltimore County inherited from his father, 26 acres gained by resurvey, 128 acres in Baltimore County and 6 acres and 6 lots in Baltimore Town acquired by purchase, 1,367 acres in Baltimore County and 2 lots in Baltimore Town acquired through marriage). SIGNIFICANT CHANGES IN LAND BETWEEN FIRST ELECTION AND DEATH: Between 1770 and 1779, Moale and his wife established trusts for all of her land, retaining life estates for themselves with title then passing to various of their children. The trusts were adjusted in later years to reflect changes in trustees or devisions among children, but the general provisions remained substantially unchanged. Moale purchased 1 lot in Baltimore Town in 1772 and the reversion rights to 129 acres in Baltimore County in 1779. He sublet one of his large leasehold lots in Baltimore Town in 1778. In November 1781 an Act of Assembly incorporated Moale's 6 acres adjoining Baltimore into the town. Moale subdivided the acreage into at least 50 lots, which he leased out between 1782 and 1784 on long-term leases, usually for 99-years at rents of about £7.0.0 current money per year. Over the next fifteen years, a few of these lots were surrendered back to Moale, but he appears to have had no trouble finding new lessees for them. Moale purchased 20 acres in Baltimore County in 1784 and part of a large lot in the original section of Baltimore Town in 1783. He sublet another large town lot and several small lots in town in 1782–1784. Moale's brother Richard inherited from their father 457 acres in Baltimore County, comprising most of the peninsula between the middle and northwest branches of the Patapsco River. When Richard died in 1786, he devised most of his estate to John, including 360 acres of this land (some already leased out), plus long-term leases on 6 lots within the town itself. In 1788 Moale sold his lease on one of the original lots in the center of town for £3,000.0.0 current money and thereafter concentrated on the development of Richard's